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P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313AMENDMENT/RESPONSEIn response to the Office action dated October 18, 2005,
which:

- a. rejected Claim 18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as being
indefinite;
- 5 b. rejected Claims 1 through 4, 10, 14, and 17 under 35
U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Garvey ['083], Rhodes ['138],
and Holmes ['168]; and
- c. rejected Claims 1, 5 through 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, and 18
through 23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious in view of
10 Rhodes ['138], Gillette ['869], Berthiamue ['414], Paterson

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['437], Garvey ['083], Magoffin ['147], Davis ['675], Bross
['628], and Wagner ['996];

please amend the above-identified application as follows:

1. Amendments to the Specification begin on the page of this
5 paper captions as Amendments to the Specification.
2. Amendments to the Claims and listing therefor begin on the
page of this paper captioned as Amendments to the Claims.
3. Amendments to the Drawings. There are no such amendments.
4. Remarks/Arguments begin on the page of this paper captioned as
10 Remarks/Arguments.